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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Magalie R. Salas, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W., Room TWB-204  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Ex Parte: CCB/CPD Docket Nos. 98-63, Matter of Interexchange Carrier Purchases of Switched Access Services Offered by Competitive Local Exchange Carriers*

*CC Docket No. 98-184, In Matter of GTE Corporation, Transferor And Bell Atlantic Corporation, Transferee*

*CC Docket No. 98-227, In the Matter of Petition of the SBC Companies for Forbearance from Regulation as a Dominant Carrier for High Capacity Dedicated Transport Services in Specified MSAs*

*CC Docket 98-157, In the Matter of Petition of US WEST Communications, Inc. for Forbearance for Regulation as a Dominant Carrier in the Phoenix, Arizona MSA*

*CC Docket No. 99-24, In the Matter of Petition of Bell Atlantic Tel. Companies for Forbearance from Regulation as Dominant Carriers in Delaware; Maryland; Massachusetts; New Hampshire; New Jersey; New York; Pennsylvania; Rhode Island; Washington, DC; Vermont and Virginia.*

✓ *CC Docket No. 99-65, In the Matter of Petition of Ameritech for Forbearance from Dominant Carrier Regulation of it Provision of High Capacity Services in the Chicago LATA*

Dear Ms. Salas:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules, MGC Communications, Inc. ("MGC"), submits this notice, in the above-captioned docketed proceedings, of an oral *ex parte* made on May 3, 1999, during a meeting with Lawrence Strickling, Chief of the Common Carrier Bureau, at the Association for Local Telecommunications Service ("ALTS") Annual

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Convention and Trade Expo in Nashville, Tennessee. The following individuals were in attendance at the meeting: Cronan O'Connell, ALTS; Charles Kallenbach, e.spire Communications, Inc.; Richard Metzger, Focal Communications; Julia Waysdorf, ICG Communications; Julia Strow, Intermedia Communications; Scott Sarem, MGC Communications, Inc.; Diane Harbaugh, Optel; Brad Mutschelknaus, Jon Canis, John Heitmann, and Ross Buntrock of Kelley Drye & Warren, LLP.

During the meeting the parties discussed the following issues:

- MGC's efforts to obtain permission to litigate a claim in the Commission's Accelerated Docket against AT&T for AT&T's refusal to pay MGC's tariffed rates for originating access services. MGC urged the Commission to act quickly to address its request which has been pending since December 1998.
- Whether the Commission would reopen CC Docket 98-184 (Bell Atlantic-GTE Merger) to allow the record to be refreshed.
- The Commission's time frame for addressing ILEC petitions for pricing flexibility.

Pursuant to Sections 1.1206(b)(2), an original and two copies of this *ex parte* notification are provided for inclusion in the public record of each of the above-referenced proceedings. Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



Ross A. Buntrock

Enclosure

cc: Larry Strickling  
Meeting Participants